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0600Bk--Thomas Jefferson Cruise 03 JUN 15-JUL 2 2010  
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\*\*\*\*DATA SOURCE\*\*\*\*

Data were compiled from surveys conducted in the Gulf of Mexico.

\*\*\*\*DATA COLLECTION PURPOSE\*\*\*\*

Natural Resource Damage Assessment

\*\*\*\*DATA USE QUALIFICATION\*\*\*\*

The data sets were for samples collected from the Thomas Jefferson Cruise 03 conducted from June 15 to July 2, 2010.

Values for concentration and detection limit should be interpreted to 3 significant figures. Values for reporting limits should be interpreted to 1 significant figure.

\*\*\*\*STUDY\*\*\*\*

The data include water chemistry data.

\*\*\*\*STATION\*\*\*\*

StationIDs are based on the locations recorded in the US EPA SCRIBE database. Datum is identified as WGS84.

\*\*\*\*SAMPLES AND REPLICATES\*\*\*\*

The collection depth of water samples in the fields UDepth and LDepth are reported in meters.

The original SampleIDs reported by the lab from the Chain-of-Custody is stored in the ExSampleID field in the SmpWat.dbf table. The original SampleID reported by field staff is stored in FldSampleID in the SmpWat.dbf table.

Samples were assigned to each unique location and depth, and field duplicates were coded with a "D" in the SampleID and with a SampType of "FDUP." Subsequent field duplicates (splits) then have a sequential numbering "D2, D3, etc.

The labrep field was coded with "1A" to indicate that the results were from Alpha lab. Lab duplicates (second analysis of same sample for same analytical method) were assigned labrep "2A". Lab duplicates were identified as those samples with a "D" suffix on the labID.

Methods: PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS | 8260M and Total Saturated Hydrocarbons by GC/FID | 8015M

AHCN\_C09/ Nonane

AHCN\_C10/ Decane

AHCN\_C11/ Undecane

AHCN\_C12/ Dodecane

AHCN\_C13/ Tridecane

The results for PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS were assigned labrep "1AX"

Methods: PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS | 8260M and Alkylated Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons | 8270M

BTHIOPHNE/ Benzo(b)thiophene

METHNAP\_1/ 1-Methylnaphthalene

METHNAP\_2/ 2-Methylnaphthalene

NAPHTHALENE/ Naphthalene

The results for PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS were assigned labrep "1AX"

Alpha Lab Analytical Methods:

Total Saturated Hydrocarbons by GC/FID | 8015M | SOP. 0-003 Rev. 5 (abbreviated as 8015 M - Tot Sat. HC - GC/FID)

Alkylated Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons | 8270M | SOP. 0-008 Rev. 6 (abbreviated as 8270 M - Alkylated PAHs)

PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS | 8260M | SOP. 0-019 Rev. 2 (abbreviated as 8260 M - PIANO VolHC - GC/MS)

PIANO Volatile Hydrocarbons by GC/MS | 8260M and Alkylated Polynuclear Aromatic Hydrocarbons | 8270M (abbreviated as 8260 M - PIANO VolHC - GC/MS)

\*\*\*\*SUMMED PARAMETERS\*\*\*\*

No sums were calculated and appended to the data set.

\*\*\*\*QUALIFIERS\*\*\*\*

Qualifiers recorded in the chemistry files represent the final data qualifiers provided by the data validation. If no validation was completed (LSU lab data), the qualifiers are those assigned by the lab. Descriptions of the data qualifiers are included in the data dictionary.

"F" (found) qualifiers were added by the data validators, where the lab reported concentration was below the method detection limit (see DL field).

\*\*\*\*OTHER\*\*\*\*

The original analyte in Alpha lab EDDs reported as Benzo(k)fluoranthene was identified by the data validators to be a coelution of Benzo(k)fluoranthene and Benzo(j)fluoranthene. Therefore, the chemical data for the original Benzo(k)fluoranthene results have been assigned a chemical code for Benzo(j+k)fluoranthene.

The original analyte in Alpha lab EDDs reported as "Total Petroleum Hydrocarbons (C9-C44)" was proposed to need further distinction based on information acquired from the data validators. The analyte was not subjected to silica gel cleanup; thus, it was suggested that the results represented "Total Extractable Matter (C9-C44)". This is the chemical code/chemical name used to report these original total petroleum hydrocarbon results in the final chemistry tables.